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FM AMEMBASSY RANGOON

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SUBJECT: BANGLADESH FOOD AIRLIFT

REF: STATE 264614

1. EMBOFF HAS INFORMALLY RAISED ISSUE OF OVERFLIGHT PAYMENTS WITH APPROPRIATE MFA AND CIVAIR AUTHORITIES. IN SO DOING HE EXPLAINED USG POSITION ON STATE AIRCRAFT. GUB REGULATIONS DO NOT RPT NOT PROVIDE AUTOMATIC EXEMPTION OF SUCH OVERFLIGHT CHARGES FOR STATE-OWNED AIRCRAFT. BURMESE AUTHORITIES SUGGESTED EMBASSY AWAIT RECEIPT OF OVERFLIGHT BILLS AND THEN SUBMIT THEM WITH A NOTE REQUESTING EXEMPTION. EMBOFF WAS TOLD THERE WAS A "GOOD" CHANCE THAT EXEMPTION WOULD THEN BE GRANTED.

2. EMBASSY STRONGLY RECOMMENDS AIRCRAFT INVOLVED IN BANGLADESH AIRLIFT UTILIZE MOST DIRECT AND LEAST EXPENSIVE ROUTE. CHARGES LEVIED BY GUB FOR EACH OVERFLIGHT IS KYAT 100 (ABOUT US \$20 AT OFFICIAL EXCHANGE RATE). THE COST OF REROUTING TO CIRCUMVENT BURMESE SOVEREIGN AIR SPACE WOULD RESULT IN MANY TIMES THE OVERFLIGHT CHARGES.

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3. EMBASSY WILL STRESS USG WILLINGNESS TO PAY OVERFLIGHT CHARGES
DOES NOT RPT NOT ESTABLISH A PRECEDENT FOR FUTURE FLIGHTS BY USG-
OWNED AIRCRAFT.
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